

URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF SEVENOAKS



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for 1968

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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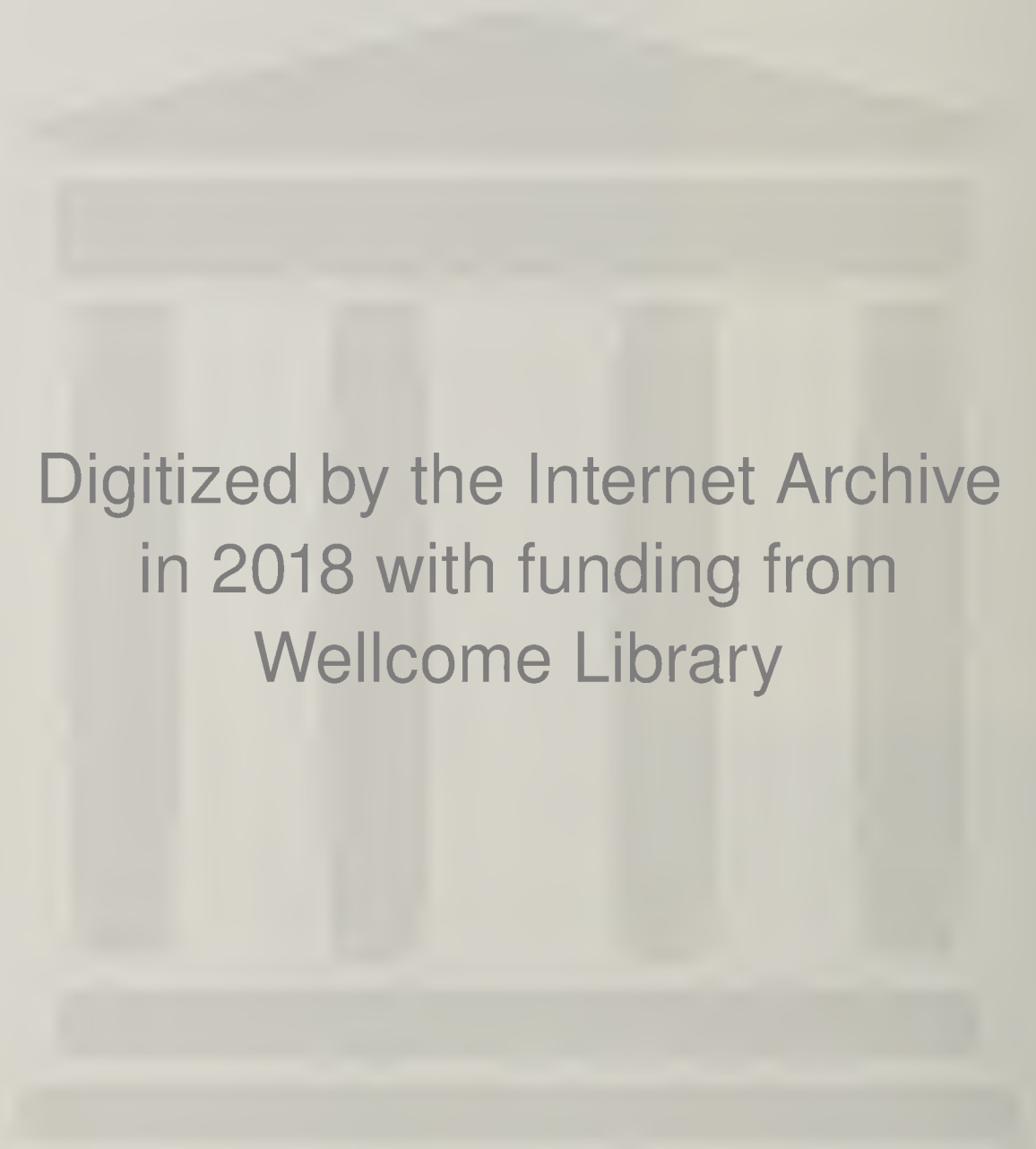
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SEVENOAKS URBAN DISTRICT

HEALTH COMMITTEE:

(Constitution at 31st December, 1968)

Chairman of Council

Councillor Miss D.E. Parrott, J.P.

* Councillor J.F. London (Chairman)

* Councillor Mrs. W.M. Brown (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor A.H.C. Branson

° Councillor Mrs. P.E. Hayden

Councillor Mrs. P.E. Fenner

Councillor K.J. Hennessey

Councillor Mrs. E.V.E. Ferral-Smith

Councillor F.J. Portsmore

Councillor P. Hayden

Councillor F.K. Roberts

* Members on the South West Kent Joint Health Committee

° Standing Deputy on the South West Kent Joint Health Committee

STAFF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

P.A. CROWLEY, M.B., Ch.B., B.A.O., D.P.H.

(also Principal Medical Officer, Kent County Council (Area No. 4); Visiting Medical Officer, Hawkenbury Hospital Isolation Wing)

DEPUTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

DOROTHY N. IRONSIDE, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

(also Assistant County Medical Officer,
Kent County Council)

CLERICAL STAFF

TUNBRIDGE WELLS OFFICE:

Chief Clerk: Mrs. D.E. Tebbit
Second Clerk: Mrs. A.D. Simmons
(resigned 28.7.68.)
Miss W. Holman
(appointed 12.8.68.)

TONBRIDGE OFFICE:

Chief Clerk: Mrs. E.M. Tibbles
Typist/Clerk: Mrs. M. Webster
(resigned 31.8.68.)
Miss V. Marsden
(appointed 4.11.68.)

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS

Senior Public Health Inspector:

E.A. Williams (a, d and h)

Public Health Inspector:

H.F. Johnson (b and d)

Student Public Health Inspector:

K.H. Wickham

Technical Assistant:

A. Bunclark (resigned November, 1968)

Public Health Inspectors' Clerk:

Mrs. O.S. Baker

Rodent Operator:

G.T. Heaysman

- (a) Certificate of Royal Sanitary Institute and Sanitary Inspectors' Examination Joint Board
- (b) Certificate of the Public Health Inspectors' Education Board
- (c) Diploma of the Public Health Inspectors' Education Board
- (d) Meat and Other Foods Inspection Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
- (e) Smoke Inspectors' Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
- (f) Sanitary Science Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
- (g) Diploma, Royal Institute of Public Health and Hygiene
- (h) Diploma of Shops Acts Administration
- (i) Royal Society of Health Certificate in Meat Inspection

Mr. R.C. Spalding, M.A., F.R.I.C., acts as County Analyst for the District

SEVENOAKS URBAN DISTRICT

Telephone No.
Tonbridge 3329

3, River Walk,
Tonbridge

To the Chairman and Members of the Sevenoaks Urban District Council

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the health of the District for the year 1968, having taken up duties as Medical Officer of Health on the 6th January, 1969, following the retirement of Dr. P.A. Crowley on that date. From the address above it will be noted that the office of the Medical Officer has moved, the transfer having taken place at the end of April, 1969.

The estimated mid-year population of the District, given by the Registrar-General, was 18,190, a decrease of 10 over the mid-1967 figure.

The total number of registered live births was 198 (103 males and 95 females), this figure being a little lower than last year's total of 207. The crude birth rate was 10.9 per 1,000 population, the corrected birth rate being 12.3 compared with 16.9 for England and Wales.

The number of deaths from all causes totalled 227 (100 males and 127 females). The crude death rate per 1,000 population was 12.5. The corrected death rate for the District was 10.0 compared with 11.9 for England and Wales.

Deaths of infants who died under one year of age numbered 2, giving an Infant Mortality Rate of 10.0. The rate for England and Wales was 18.3.

There were 11 deaths from Cancer of the Lung and Bronchus (9 males and 2 females), compared with 8 last year.

The number of notifiable infectious diseases recorded in the District was 95. This figure included 75 measles.

In consonance with modern conditions, there have been some legislative changes during 1968 in the notification of infectious diseases. For example, pneumonia is no longer notifiable, while infective jaundice now is.

On pages 16 and 17 of this Report figures, kindly supplied by the County Medical Officer, are given showing the number of persons immunised and vaccinated during the year under review.

In conclusion, I should like to express my thanks for the courtesy and co-operation I have received in the preparation of this Report.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

R. G. BRENNEN

Medical Officer of Health

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area: 3,728 acres

Population:

R.G.'s Estimate mid 1968 18,190

R.G.'s Estimate mid 1967 18,200

Density of population, i.e. Number
of persons per acre 4.9

Number of inhabited houses: 5,973

Rateable value: £863,237

Sum produced by a penny rate: £3,510

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1968

			Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
LIVE BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE:	Male	108	288	89	52	276	287	350	1,450
		Female	118	289	93	52	241	271	297	1,361
		Total	226	577	182	104	517	558	647	2,811
	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male	9	16	14	3	10	11	33	96
		Female	7	25	2	4	11	20	34	103
		Total	16	41	16	7	21	31	67	199
	TOTAL LIVE BIRTHS		242	618	198	111	538	589	714	3,010
CRUDE BIRTH RATE per 1,000 of mid year population 1968		14.7	14.2	10.9	11.3	18.4	20.4	16.3	15.9	
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar-General		1.26	1.07	1.13	1.14	1.03	0.98	1.10	-	
ADJUSTED BIRTH RATE		18.5	15.2	12.3	12.9	18.9	20.0	17.9	-	
STILL BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE:	Male	-	5	2	-	5	2	4	18
		Female	2	2	1	1	3	5	4	18
		Total	2	7	3	1	8	7	8	36
	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	2
		Female	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	3
		Total	-	2	-	1	1	-	1	5
	TOTAL STILL BIRTHS		2	9	3	2	9	7	9	41
STILL BIRTH RATE per 1,000 (live and still) births		8	14	15	18	16	12	12	13.4	
TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS		244	627	201	113	547	596	723	3,051	

	Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
INFANT DEATHS (under one year) <div> Male Female Total </div>	3	5	1	2	4	7	8	30
	3	5	1	1	2	3	3	18
	6	10	2	3	6	10	11	48
INFANT MORTALITY RATES:								
All infants per 1,000 live births	25	16	10	27	11	17	15	15.9
NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births	12.4	12.9	0.0	9.0	5.6	10.2	9.8	9.3
EARLY NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births	12.4	11.3	0.0	9.0	5.6	10.2	7.0	8.3
PERI-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live and still births	20	26	15	27	22	22	19	21.6
MATERNAL MORTALITY (including abortion)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
DEATHS <div> Male Female Total </div>	101	187	100	65	173	145	309	1,080
	102	247	127	74	124	150	455	1,279
	203	434	227	139	297	295	764	2,359
CRUDE DEATH RATE per 1,000 of mid year population 1968	12.3	10.0	12.5	14.2	10.2	10.2	17.4	12.4
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar General	0.92	1.05	0.80	0.84	0.87	0.96	0.57	-
ADJUSTED DEATH RATE	11.3	10.5	10.0	11.9	8.9	9.8	9.9	-

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)
(1)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area		Total
	M	F	
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	2	-	2
Other Tuberculosis	-	1	1
Bacillary Dysentery, Amoebiasis	1	-	1
Enteritis and other Diarrhoeal Diseases	1	-	1
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	1	2	3
Malignant Neoplasm - Stomach	27	19	46
Malignant Neoplasm - Lung, Bronchus	84	18	102
Malignant Neoplasm - Breast	1	54	55
Malignant Neoplasm - Uterus	-	13	13
Leukaemia	3	4	7
Other Malignant Neoplasms, etc.	127	118	245
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms	2	1	3
Diabetes Mellitus	3	3	6
Avitaminoses, etc.	-	1	1
Other Endocrine, etc., Diseases	2	2	4
Anaemias	6	4	10
Other Diseases of Blood, etc.	5	-	5
Mental Disorders	2	2	4
Meningitis	2	1	3
Other Diseases of Nervous System, etc.	8	10	18
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	14	11	25
Hypertensive Disease	23	35	58
Ischaemic Heart Disease	292	260	552
Other Forms of Heart Disease	57	107	164
Cerebrovascular Disease	104	247	351
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	46	68	114
Influenza	10	18	28
Pneumonia	73	111	184
Bronchitis and Emphysema	63	25	88
Asthma	2	3	5
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	10	13	23

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(Supplied by Registrar-General)
(1)

Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tonbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
-	-	1	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
-	-	2	3	3	2	2	2	7	3	7	3	6	6
8	1	13	7	9	2	1	1	16	2	17	3	20	2
-	4	-	11	-	5	1	1	-	6	-	8	-	19
-	2	-	3	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	1	-	4
-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	-	1
11	14	19	25	20	14	8	7	18	13	17	8	34	37
-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	1
-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	3	-
-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
1	-	2	1	1	2	-	-	3	1	1	2	-	4
2	1	1	5	2	2	1	1	2	-	1	2	5	-
5	1	4	7	2	2	2	5	2	1	2	5	6	14
30	22	54	53	28	20	17	13	45	33	31	27	87	92
5	11	11	11	3	7	4	4	11	14	7	14	16	46
5	15	18	37	6	26	9	14	19	24	15	31	32	100
8	4	6	13	4	6	3	2	8	2	5	8	12	33
-	1	1	7	2	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	5	8
7	8	10	27	7	18	5	6	8	10	12	13	24	29
6	4	14	7	7	-	2	3	8	3	9	3	17	5
-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	2	-
1	-	2	4	2	1	-	-	1	-	2	3	2	5

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)
(2)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area		Total
	M	F	
Peptic Ulcer	4	8	12
Appendicitis	-	1	1
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	5	4	9
Cirrhosis of Liver	2	3	5
Other Diseases of Digestive System	2	8	10
Nephritis and Nephrosis	4	3	7
Hyperplasia of Prostate	4	-	4
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	6	11	17
Diseases of Skin, Subcutaneous Tissue	-	1	1
Diseases of Musco-Skeletal System	1	10	11
Congenital Anomalies	9	5	14
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc.	7	5	12
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	5	8	13
Symptoms and Ill-defined Conditions	14	11	25
Motor Vehicle Accidents	14	14	28
All Other Accidents	18	19	37
Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries	9	11	20
All Other External Causes	5	6	11
TOTALS	1,080	1,279	2,359

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tonbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
-	3	-	1	-	2	1	-	-	1	2	-	1	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
3	-	2	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1
-	-	1	1	-	4	-	-	2	-	-	1	1	2
1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	1
-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
-	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	1	3	2	6
-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	6
2	-	2	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	4	1
-	-	1	4	-	-	1	-	1	1	3	-	1	-
1	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2	2	3
1	1	1	-	-	1	4	1	2	-	1	1	5	7
-	4	3	2	1	2	-	2	5	2	2	-	3	2
-	1	2	5	-	-	-	1	5	1	6	2	5	9
-	1	1	2	2	1	-	1	1	-	1	3	4	3
2	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
101	102	187	247	100	127	65	74	173	124	145	150	309	455

CAUSES OF DEATH OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR

CAUSE OF DEATH	Under 24 hours	1 day to 1 week	1-2 weeks	2-3 weeks	3-4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	1-3 mths.	3-6 mths.	6-9 mths.	9-12 mths.	TOTAL
Congenital Anomalies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
TOTALS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	2

DEATHS FROM LUNG CANCER DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

YEAR	20 - 34 years		35 - 44 years		45 - 64 years		65 - 74 years		75 years and over		TOTAL	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
1959	-	-	-	-	6	-	4	1	2	-	12	1
1960	-	-	-	-	3	1	1	-	-	-	4	1
1961	-	-	-	-	3	1	2	-	5	1	10	2
1962	-	-	1	-	4	1	2	1	2	1	9	3
1963	-	-	-	-	5	1	3	-	3	-	11	1
1964	-	-	-	-	5	-	1	-	-	-	6	-
1965	-	-	-	-	3	-	4	-	1	1	8	1
1966	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	2	2	-	5	3
1967	-	-	-	-	4	-	3	-	-	1	7	1
1968	-	-	-	-	4	2	3	-	2	-	9	2
TOTALS	-	-	1	-	39	7	24	4	17	4	81	15

AGES OF CASES OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

DISEASE	Total Cases (all ages)	Under 1 year	1 yr.	2 yrs.	3 yrs.	4 yrs.	5-9 yrs.	10-14 yrs.	15-24 yrs.	25-44 yrs.	45-64 yrs.	65 and over
Scarlet Fever	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	7	-	-	1	2	1	3	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	75	-	4	10	10	16	30	3	2	-	-	-
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Meningitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Pneumonia	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Acute Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infective Jaundice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tetanus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelae	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leprosy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leptospirosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cholera	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yellow Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Relapsing Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Anthrax	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pulmonary	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Meninges & C.N.S.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Forms	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
TOTALS	95	-	4	11	12	17	34	3	7	4	1	2

SEASONAL INCIDENCE OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

DISEASE	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTALS
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Whooping Cough	-	1	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	7
Measles	5	12	23	20	3	6	5	-	-	-	1	-	75
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Meningitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Pneumonia	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Acute Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infective Jaundice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tetanus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leprosy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leptospirosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cholera	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yellow Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Relapsing Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	3	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	8
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Anthrax	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pulmonary	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Meninges & C.N.S.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Forms	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
TOTALS	9	14	28	21	6	7	5	1	1	-	3	-	95

TUBERCULOSIS

Age Periods	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 - 4 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 9 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 - 14 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 19 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20 - 24 years	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 34 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 44 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 - 54 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 - 64 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 - 74 years	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
75 and over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-

TUBERCULOSIS - SUMMARY OF CASES

	MALE		FEMALE		TOTAL
	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	
Cases on register at beginning of year	46	6	32	9	93
Cases added	3	-	1	1	5
Cases removed	2	-	-	-	2
Cases remaining	47	6	33	10	96

NUMBER OF DEATHS AND DEATH RATES FROM TUBERCULOSIS
DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

Year	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Total Deaths	Rate per 1,000		TOTAL
	No. of cases notified	Deaths	No. of cases notified	Deaths		Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	
1959	3	1	1	-	1	0.06	0.00	0.06
*1960	2	1	1	-	1	0.06	0.00	0.06
1961	3	1	2	-	1	0.06	0.00	0.06
1962	1	2	2	1	3	0.11	0.06	0.17
1963	1	1	-	1	2	0.06	0.06	0.12
*1964	4	-	1	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00
1965	2	-	-	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00
*1966	1	1	-	-	1	0.05	0.00	0.05
1967	1	-	-	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00
*1968	1	-	1	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00

* Denotes year Mass Radiography Unit visited the District

VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION

The following tables give the vaccination and immunisation figures for the District for 1968, based on the returns submitted to the Department of Health and Social Security.

Diphtheria with Tetanus and Whooping Cough

Year of Birth	PRIMARY IMMUNISATION		REINFORCING	
	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Whooping Cough	Diphtheria/ Tetanus	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Whooping Cough	Diphtheria/ Tetanus
1968	87	-	-	-
1967	127	3	4	1
1966	5	3	22	20
1965	2	-	31	42
1964	6	1	7	11
1961/1963	1	2	66	164
1952/1960	1	-	6	3
TOTAL	229	9	136	241

Measles

Year of Birth	Primary Immunisation	Reinforcing
1968	2	-
1967	11	-
1966	22	-
1965	32	-
1964	31	-
1961/1963	85	-
1952/1960	5	-
TOTAL	188	-

Poliomyelitis

Year of Birth	Primary Vaccination	Reinforcing
1968	34	-
1967	170	-
1966	25	-
1965	11	-
1964	6	13
1961/1963	-	327
1952/1960	-	8
TOTAL	246	348

Smallpox

Primary Vaccination 1 year	Re-Vaccination School age but under 8 years
133	6

REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES

(Sections 187 to 194 of the Public Health Act, 1936
as amended by the Nursing Homes Act, 1963)

	Number of Homes	Number of beds provided for:-		
		Maternity	Others	Total
Homes registered during the year	1	-	14	14
Homes whose registrations were withdrawn during the year	-	-	-	-
Homes on register at end of the year	2	-	50	50

Visits of inspection, and special visits as required, are made to the above Nursing Homes during the year.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - SECTION 47

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

(Removal to suitable premises of persons in need of care and attention)

No action was necessary under these Enactments during the year.

Laboratory Service

The Public Health Laboratory Service, under the Directorship of Dr. A.L. Furniss, provided excellent facilities during the year for the examination of specimens and full co-operation with the staff was maintained. Valuable facilities are also available in the Pathological Departments of the following hospitals: Kent and Sussex, Pembury, Sevenoaks and Orpington.

Staff Medical Examinations

During the year twenty medical examinations were carried out for the District for superannuation purposes.

International Vaccination Certificates

There is an increasing demand for the authentication of Doctors' signatures on International Vaccination Certificates. In connection with international travel, follow-up of persons arriving in this country from infected or suspected areas without valid certificates is carried out by the Medical Officer of Health when notified by the Port Health Authority of their port of entry.

LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE DISTRICT

provided by the Kent County Council

Ambulance Facilities

Enquiries relating to ambulance service matters and requests for ambulance transport are dealt with by the Kent County Council Ambulance Service from their station at Moor Road, Sevenoaks. (Tel. Sevenoaks 51088)

Principal Welfare Officer

Mr. R.A. Allison,
Kent County Council District Office,
152, London Road, Sevenoaks
Tel. Sevenoaks 52833

Domiciliary Midwifery

The County Council arranges for the free attendance of midwives upon patients who are to be confined at home. The name and address of the appropriate midwife for any particular district is usually known to the patient's doctor, but can be obtained from the District Office of the County Council.

Home Nursing Service

The County Council provides a service free of charge for the attendance on persons whose doctors require them to be nursed in their own homes. The nurse's attendance is normally arranged by the doctor, but the name and address of the appropriate nurse for any particular district is obtainable from the District Office of the County Council.

Domestic Help Service

Domestic help service may be provided in households where it is needed owing to the presence of a person who is ill, lying-in, an expectant mother, mentally subnormal, aged or a child not over compulsory school age, but only where there is no able-bodied person in the household capable of carrying out the necessary household duties.

Area Domestic Help Organiser	-	Miss L. McEwan, 39, Grove Hill Road, Tunbridge Wells Tel. Tunbridge Wells 23342
District Domestic Help Organiser	-	Miss E.M. Eastwood, 152, London Road, Sevenoaks Tel. Sevenoaks 55440

Night and Evening Service

Evening service is provided for elderly people who are bedridden or housebound and have no one to assist them to prepare for the night and includes the provision of a light meal or hot drink and attention to fires. Night service is provided, for no longer than three weeks unless there are exceptional circumstances, for the care of seriously ill people who are living in their own homes and who need attention during the night. In some cases the service is provided for one to three nights a week to give relief to relatives.

Family Care Service

After consultation with the Children's Department, this service is provided for the short-term care of children in their own homes during the absence of the mother by reason of admission to hospital for illness or confinement or in other special circumstances. Help is given only to families where care of at least two children is involved and the period of service is limited to three months.

Family Welfare Service

This service is provided, with the parent's consent, in households where the habits, behaviour and standards of living of the family are much below those generally accepted in the society in which they live. The three main objectives of the service are to raise the standard of living of the families, to improve the welfare of the children, and to keep the families together and prevent their break-up. Intensive training for a period of three months is given and this is succeeded by a follow-on service of nine months. In families where there is medical evidence of mental subnormality the continuance of the service after the initial period of three months may be approved for not more than twelve hours a week until the youngest child reaches compulsory school age.

Health Visitors

Miss H. M. Gaunt

Miss B. Rigg

Training Centre

Dorothy Parrott Hall,
Buckhurst Lane, Sevenoaks

Tel. Sevenoaks 56766

CHILD WELFARE CENTRES & CLINICS

<u>Centre</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Day and Time</u>
St. John's Road, Sevenoaks Tel. Sevenoaks 53645	Child Welfare	Tues. P.M.
	Child Welfare (Toddlers')	1st Thurs. P.M.
	Relaxation Class)	Thurs. P.M.
	Midwives' Clinic)	
	Ante Natal and)	Mon. P.M.
	Relaxation Class)	
	Midwives' Clinic)	
	Relaxation Class)	1st Thurs. 7-8 P.M.
	Midwives' Clinic)	
	Chiropody	Tues.& Weds. A.M.
	School Clinic	2nd & 4th Wed. 9-10 A.M.
	Dental	Mon. A.M. & P.M. (if req.)
		Wed. A.M. & P.M.
		Thurs. A.M. & P.M.
		Fri. A.M. & P.M.
	Ophthalmic	Fri. A.M.
	Speech	Temporarily not available
	Orthopaedic	Mon. & Thurs. A.M.
		Fri. P.M.
		2nd & 3rd Sat. A.M.
St. Nicholas' Church Hall, South Park, Sevenoaks Tel. Sevenoaks 53064	Child Welfare	Wed. P.M.

SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD

Hospitals

The Hospital Management Committees of the South East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board covering the hospitals in the Joint Health Area are set out below:-

Tunbridge Wells Hospital Management Committee:

Sherwood Park, Pembury Road, Tunbridge Wells. Tel. 23444

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Pembury Hospital
Kent and Sussex Hospital
The Homoeopathic Hospital
Tonbridge Cottage Hospital
Tunbridge Wells Maternity Hospital
Hawkenbury Hospital
Edenbridge and District Memorial Hospital
David Salomons House, Southborough

Cray Valley and Sevenoaks Hospital Management Committee:

Orpington Hospital, Orpington. Tel. Orpington 27050

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Sevenoaks Hospital
Emily Jackson Wing of Sevenoaks Hospital
Oak Lane Hospital, Sevenoaks
Sundridge Hospital

Chest Clinics

<u>Address</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Times</u>
Baltic Road, Tonbridge	Monday	All day
Pembury Hospital, Pembury	Wednesday	2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Kent and Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells	Friday	All day
Sevenoaks Chest Clinic, Outpatients Department, Sevenoaks Hospital	Wednesday	Morning

Clinic for Treatment of Venereal Diseases

Kent and Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells	Tuesday (females) Tuesday (males)	10 a.m. to 11 a.m. 11 a.m. to 12 noon
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SEVENOAKS URBAN DISTRICT

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT

1. Water Supply

Sevenoaks Urban District is supplied with mains water from The Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company, and during the year the supply was satisfactory both as regards quantity and quality.

Examination reports on water samples taken during the year were as follows:-

	Bacteriological Examination			Chemical Examination		
	No. of samples	Satisfactory	Not satisfactory	No. of samples	Satisfactory	Not satisfactory
Statutory supply undertakings	7	7	-	-	-	-
Private sources piped to dwellings	7	7	-	-	-	-
Other private sources	-	-	-	-	-	-

All the dwellings in the Urban District are supplied by mains water.

During 1968, The Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company laid 723 yards of mains extensions in the District.

2. Drainage and Sewerage

No new works of sewerage or sewage disposal were carried out during 1968. Some sewers were laid by private developers and 103 new dwellings were connected thereto. Twelve new dwellings were erected by the Council and connected to the existing system.

3. Refuse Collection and Disposal

The introduction of the paper sack system of refuse collection has been justified, and after having been in operation for the first full year has proved to be completely satisfactory.

4. Swimming Pools

Number of public swimming pools	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Number of school swimming pools	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Number of visits made during year	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Number of samples taken:							
	Satisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	18
	Unsatisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	-

5. Inspection of the District

Number of complaints received and investigated	...	...	...	...	97
Total number of visits of all kinds paid by Inspectors during the year	...	...	...	...	3,426
Informal Notices:	Served during the year	...	...	...	179
	Complied with during the year	...	...	...	128
Statutory Notices:	Served during the year	...	...	...	1
	Complied with during the year				
	(a) by owners	...	...	...	1
	(b) by Local Authority in default	...	...	...	2
Legal proceedings taken during the year	-

Summary of Inspections and Visits by Public Health Inspectors during the year:

Housing	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	294
Nuisances, etc. (not included under Housing)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	533
Visits to Food Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,036
Visits re Food Complaints	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23
Swimming Pools	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Factories Act, 1961	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	147
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	752
Shops Acts, 1950/65	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	75
Petroleum Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	174
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100
Agriculture (Safety & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Pet Animals Act, 1951	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Atmospheric Pollution Prevention	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	32
Noise Abatement	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
Infectious Disease Visits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	210

6. Disinfestation

Treatment of premises for cockroaches continued during the year.

7. Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

PROPERTIES OTHER THAN SEWERS	TYPE OF PROPERTY	
	NON- AGRICULTURAL	AGRICULTURAL
1. Number of properties in District	6,967	12
2. (a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	320	1
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	291	1
(ii) Mice	111	-
3. (a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	1,022	4
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	7	-
(ii) Mice	-	-

SEWERS

The annual test of the public sewers was carried out and the system treated.

8. Rag, Flock & Other Filling Materials Act, 1951

Number of registered premises	Nil
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9. Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957

Number of licensed premises	Nil
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10. Agriculture (Safety & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956

Number of inspection made	1
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11. Pet Animals Act, 1951

Number of premises licensed	4
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Number of visits made	3
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12. Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963

Number of premises licensed	2
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Number of visits made	2
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13. Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964

Number of dealers registered	2
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FACTORIES ACT, 1961

Part I of the Act

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authority	18	28	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	68	147	4	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	8	4	-	-
Total	94	179	4	-

2. Cases in which Defects were found

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	Referred By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	10	10	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
Total	10	10	-	-	-

PART VIII OF THE ACT

OUTWORK

(Sections 133 and 134)

Number of Outworkers Nil

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

(A) Registrations and General Inspections

Class of Premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	12	116	13
Retail Shops	10	192	12
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	5	-
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	1	19	1
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-
Totals	23	332	26

Total number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to registered premises under the Act 752

(B) Analysis of Contraventions

Section	Contraventions	No. found	Section	Contraventions	No. found
4	Cleanliness	-	13	Sitting facilities	-
5	Overcrowding	-	14	Seats (Sedentary Workers)	-
6	Temperature	14	15	Eating facilities	-
7	Ventilation	4	16	Floors, passages & stairs	20
8	Lighting	2	17	Fencing exposed parts of machinery	13
9	Sanitary Conveniences	7	18	Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery	-
10	Washing facilities	4	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	-
11	Supply of Drinking Water	4	23	Prohibition of heavy work	-
12	Clothing Accommodation	2	24	First Aid General Provisions	17 19
Total					106

It has been found that contraventions, generally speaking, were not serious. However, there were two instances involving conveyors which caused some concern at the time, particularly as one involved an accident. Both were satisfactorily dealt with after negotiation.

(C) Exemptions

Number of applications received	...	...	...	Nil
Number of applications granted	Nil

(D) Prosecutions

Number instituted and completed during the year	Nil
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(E) Reported Accidents

Workplace	Number Reported	Total Number Investigated	Action Recommended			No Action
			Prosecutions	Formal Warning	Informal Advice	
Offices	-	-	-	-	-	-
Retail Shops	7	2	-	-	2	-
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Catering establishments open to public, Canteens	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	7	2	-	-	2	-

The accidents reported were of a minor nature.

Analysis of Reported Accidents

	Offices	Retail Shops	Wholesale Warehouses	Catering establishments open to public, canteens	Fuel Storage Depots
Machinery	-	3	-	-	-
Transport	-	-	-	-	-
Falls of persons	-	1	-	-	-
Stepping on or striking against object or person	-	2	-	-	-
Handling goods	-	1	-	-	-
Struck by falling object	-	-	-	-	-
Fires and Explosions	-	-	-	-	-
Electricity	-	-	-	-	-
Use of hand tools	-	-	-	-	-
Not otherwise specified	-	-	-	-	-

HOUSING

(A) Repair - Housing and Public Health Acts

Number of houses rendered fit after service of notices:

	Sections 9, 10 and 16 Housing Act, 1957		Public Health and similar Local Acts		Totals	
	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal
(a) By Owner	-	-	6	-	6	-
(b) By Local Authority	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	-	-	6	-	6	-

(B) Beyond Repair - Housing Act, 1957

Number of	(i)	Undertakings accepted (Section 16)	...	...	1
	(ii)	Closing Orders made (Section 17)	...	...	-
	(iii)	Demolition Orders made (Section 17)	...	...	-
	(iv)	Closing Orders made (Section 18)	...	...	-
	(v)	Closing Orders determined (Section 27)	...	...	-
	(vi)	Closing Orders revoked and Demolition Orders substituted (Section 28)	...	...	-
	(vii)	Houses demolished following Demolition Orders			-

(C) Clearance Areas

(1)	Represented during year	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
(2)	Action taken during the year	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
(3)	Purchase of houses by agreement	...	...	...	...	...	Nil

(D) Improvements Grants

(1) Standard

	Owner/Occupiers	Tenanted
(i) Number of applications received	12	6
(ii) Number of applications approved	9	6
(iii) Number of applications refused	-	-
(iv) Number of dwellings improved	4	5
(v) Amount paid in grants	£ 955.	s 13. d 10.
(vi) Average grant per house	106.	3. 9.
(vii) Amenities provided		
(a) fixed bath		7
(b) shower		-
(c) wash hand basin		7
(d) hot water supply (to any fittings)		7
(e) water closet (1) within dwelling		9
(2) accessible from dwelling		-
(f) food store		5

(2) Discretionary

	Owner/Occupiers	Tenanted
(i) Number of applications received	8	1
(ii) Number of applications approved	9	1
(iii) Number of applications refused	-	-
(iv) Number of dwellings improved	13	6
	£	s d
(v) Amount paid in grants	5,708.	6. 8.
(vi) Average grant per house	300.	9. 10.

(E) Improvement Areas - Housing Act, 1964

(1) Number of (i)	Areas (a) Surveyed	... ..	1
	(b) Declared	... ..	1
(ii)	Houses to be improved (a) full standard		40
	(b) reduced standard		-
(iii)	Preliminary Notices served	... ..	40
(iv)	Undertaking accepted	... ..	1
(v)	Immediate improvement notices served		-
(vi)	Suspended improvement notices served		-
(vii)	Final improvement notices served	... ..	-
(viii)	Dwellings improved (a) full standard		3
	(b) reduced standard		-
(ix)	Dwellings improved by L.A. in default:		
	(a) full standard		-
	(b) reduced standard		-

(2) Dwellings outside Improvement Area

Number of representations made by tenants ... Nil

(F) Houses in Multiple Occupation

(1) Number of notices served:

- (a) To require additional services or facilities ... Nil
(b) Giving directions on overcrowding ... Nil
(c) Where work has been carried out in default ... Nil

(2) Details regarding separate occupancies in houses in multiple occupation:

Number of houses with the following number of separate occupancies	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Over 12
	-	2	2	4	2	-	-	2	-	-	1	-

Caravans (as at 31st December, 1968)

Number of site licences issued ... Nil

Common Lodging Houses

Number registered in District ... Nil

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

1. Milk Supplies

Number of registered distributors	...	...	...	...	...	23
Number of registered dairies - Wholesale	...	...	...	...		1
Retail	...	...	...	...		3

Milk Sampling

	Number of Samples Taken	Number of Unsatisfactory Samples
Untreated	14	3
Pasteurised	35	-
Sterilised	-	-

Three samples of milk failed the methylene blue test but subsequent samples proved satisfactory.

2. Ice Cream

Number of premises registered - (a) for the manufacture of ice cream	2
(b) for the sale of ice cream	61

Results of samples taken:

Grade 1	7
Grade 2	-
Grade 3	-
Grade 4	1

3. Premises registered for the Manufacture of Preserved Foods

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Number on Register</u>
Brining of meat only	1
Cooking of hams only	8
Frying of fish only	2
Processing of fish only	1
Cooking of meat pies, sausage rolls, etc.	6
Manufacture of sausages, cooking and sale of meats	2
Manufacture of sausages, cooking of hams and poultry	2
Cooking and sale of fish and poultry	1
Cooking of poultry and meat cakes	1
Manufacture of sausages only	5

4. Slaughterhouses

There are no slaughterhouses in Sevenoaks Urban District

5. Food Premises subject to the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960

CATEGORY OF TRADE	Number in District	Number fitted to comply with Reg. 16 (wash basins)	Number to which Reg. 19 applies (Provision of sinks, etc.)	Number fitted to comply with Reg. 19
Hotels	2	2	2	2
Cafes/Restaurants	22	22	22	22
Works Canteens	4	4	4	4
Clubs	12	12	12	12
School Kitchens	23	23	23	23
Homes	10	10	10	10
Bakers	10	10	10	10
Confectioners	24	23	24	23
Butchers	10	10	10	10
Fishmongers	3	3	3	3
Fried Fish & Chip Shops	2	2	2	2
Greengrocers	20	20	20	20
Grocers	26	26	26	26
Grocers/Butchers	3	3	3	3
Public Houses and Off Licences	25	25	25	25
Chemists	7	7	7	7
Dairies	2	2	2	2
Bakehouses	3	3	3	3

During the period under review there has been a considerable increase in drink vending machines throughout the District, particularly in offices and factories.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Details of samples taken by the County Sampling Officers within the Sevenoaks Urban District during the year ended 31st December, 1968

	<u>Satis-</u> <u>factory</u>	<u>Unsatis-</u> <u>factory</u>
Milk 	10	-
Butter, margarine, lard, cooking fats, cheese (including processed cheese) ...	2	-
Tinned meats, meat, fish, fish and meat pastes ...	4	3
Sugar, sugar confectionery, flour confectionery, chocolate products, cereals 	6	-
Tea, coffee, cocoa, beverages, minerals, cordials 	1	-
Jams, preserves, honey, jellies 	2	-
Dried fruit, raw fruit, vegetables, tinned fruit and vegetables 	3	-
Pickles, sauces, vinegar, condiments 	1	-
Drugs, medicines 	10	-
Ice Cream 	1	-
Beer, wines, spirits 	4	-
Miscellaneous 	5	-
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Unsatisfactory Samples

Meat Paste - Chicken (2 samples) - Deficient in meat. Manufacturer contacted.
Subsequent sample satisfactory.

Meat Pies - Meat content below required standard. Baker contacted.
Follow-up samples satisfactory.

6. Poultry Inspection

Number of poultry processing premises within the District ... Nil

7. Unsound Food

Food condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption:

	Cwts.	Qrs.	lbs.	ozs.
Fish	-	3	26	8
Meat	1	3	25	-
Tinned Foods	7	1	11	8
Other Food	21	-	10	-

All condemned foods are disposed of by burial at the Council's refuse tip.

8. Food Poisoning

No cases of food poisoning were notified during the year.

